


Agenda Report Reviewed by:  
City Manager: 

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL  
CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM

**Meeting Date:** November 19, 2019  
**To:** Honorable Mayor and Honorable City Councilmembers  
**From:** City Council Subcommittee:  
Mayor Neysa Hinton  
Councilmember Sarah Gurney  
Public Works Superintendent Dante Del Prete  
Responsible Department: Public Works Department  
**Subject:** Approval of the Subcommittee Recommendation of the Locals Who Make a Difference (LWMAD) Recognition Program Honoree  
**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the LWMAD Subcommittee’s recommendation to announce and recognize the succeeding honoree of the Locals Who Make a Difference Recognition Program.  
**Funding:** Currently Budgeted:  X  Yes   No   N/A  
Net General Fund Cost: \$6,369 2019/20 Funding Source: 124-4103-4330

**INTRODUCTION:**

This item is to request that the City Council approve the LWMAD Subcommittee’s recommendation to announce and recognize the succeeding honoree of the Locals Who Make a Difference Recognition Program.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Locals Who Make a Difference Recognition Program was created to acknowledge and thank members of the Sebastopol community for their contributions in helping to make Sebastopol a better place to live. Honorees are announced and recognized with banners lining Sebastopol’s Main Street and Downtown Plaza, a proclamation by the City Council, and on the City website. There are three honorees each year, with each honoree being featured for approximately four months.

**DISCUSSION:**

On November 5, 2019, the LWMAD Subcommittee met and reviewed the nomination applications for the next Locals Who Make a Difference Recognition Program Honoree.

The year-to-date nominees are as follows:

Active 20-30 Club of Sebastopol #63	Gayle Bergmann	Jeffrey Edelheit
Vaughn Higginbotham	Greg Jacobs (Fifth LWMAD Honoree)	Yvonne Morones
Gloria Roberts	Pat & Craig Boblitt	

The LWMAD honorees are listed below:  
Carson Pforsich (First LWMAD Honoree)  
Meg Mizutani (Second LWMAD Honoree)  
Roger and Linda Collins (Third LWMAD Honoree)  
Pat Schoch (Fourth LWMAD Honoree)  
Greg Jacobs (Fifth LWMAD Honoree)

Pending approval by the City Council, it is the LWMAD Subcommittee's recommendation that **Pat & Craig Boblitt** be announced and recognized as the next City of Sebastopol Locals Who Make a Difference Honorees'.

Here is an excerpt from their nomination application(s):

*"They contribute to this community, raised a family, and influenced the development of Sebastopol. They are major supporters of the Sebastopol Community Cultural Center, Sebastopol Area Senior Center and Peacetown, enhancing our quality of life."*

*"A Board member of the Sebastopol Area Senior Center, Craig has been instrumental in its' transformation the last 2 ½ years"*

*"Without Craig's support we might not be here. He joined the Board when the Senior Center was literally broke, accepting the challenge, being positive and offering exceptional advice."*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve the LWMAD Subcommittee's recommendation to announce and recognize **Pat and Craig Boblitt** as the succeeding honoree(s) of the Locals Who Make a Difference Recognition Program.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

None